(a) whether the recommendation of the Sarkaria Commission to strengthen the police forces in the States to maintain public order has been accepted by the Sub–committee of the Inter–State Council; and

(b) if so, further action taken by the Government thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M.M. JACOB) : (a) This recommendation was considered by the Sub–committee of the inter–State Council at its meeting on 15.1.1992 and there was a general consensus that the recommendations should be accepted.

(b) The recommendation of the Sub–committee will now be considered by the Inter–State Council and thereafter Government will take decision in the matter after considering the views of the Inter-State Council.

Indo–China Joint Working Group

1527. SHRIMAT BASAVA RAJESWARI:
SHRI MOHAN SINGH:
SHRI SRIKANTA JENA:
SHRI DEVENDRA PRASAD YADAV:
SHRI ARJUN CHARAN SETHI:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the fourth meeting of Indo–China Joint Working Group was held at New Delhi recently;

(b) if so, the bilateral and multilateral matters discussed; and

(c) the outcome thereof?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI MADHAVSINH SOLANKI): (a) The Fourth Meeting of the India–China Joint Working Group was held in New Delhi from 20 to 21 February, 1992.

(b) The two sides continued their discussions aimed at arriving at a mutually acceptable settlement on the boundary question as well as the discussions on measures for ensuring peace and tranquility in the areas along the Line of Actual Control. Other bilateral issues discussed included matters relating to the exchange of high level visits. Views were also exchanged on the regional situation, including relations with Pakistan and the situation in Cambodia.

(c) It was agreed that the military personnel of the two sides would have regular meetings in June and October every year at Bum La pass in the Eastern Sector and at Spanggur Gap area in the Western Sector. It was also agreed that communication links would be established to facilitate easy contact between the border personnel. Views were exchanged on further confidence building measures including prior intimation of military exercises.

Employment Potential in Kuwait

1528. SHRI MUMTAZ ANSARI:
SHRI SRIKANTA JENA:
SHRI DEVENDRA PRASAD YADAV:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government had received any suggestion from Kuwaiti Indian Citizen Committee for the exploitation of employment potential created in Kuwait following the reconstruction of that country; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Government in regard thereof?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI MADHAVSINH SOLANKI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) We have been in touch with the Govt. of Kuwait to facilitate the return of our nationals to that country. The matter came up for discussion during the External Affairs Minister's visit to Kuwait on February 15 and 16, 1992. About 70,000 of our nationals have already returned to Kuwait and the flow continues. The Government of India are providing every possible assistance in the matter.

Involvement of Delhi Police Personnel in Crimes

1529. SHRI MUMTAZ ANSARI:
SHRI HARI KISHORE SINGH:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether a large number of Delhi police personnel are being proceeded against for their involvement in various crimes;

(b) if so, the number of such personnel, category-wise;

(c) the action taken so far against them;

(d) whether it is proposed to bring in any change in the Delhi Police Punishment and Appeal Rules, 1980; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M.M. JACOB) : (a) to (c). Yes, Sir. 648 police personnel are being proceeded against in 617 criminal cases. Out of these 617 cases, 534 are under trial and 83 cases are under investigation.

The rank-wise break up of police personnel involved in criminal cases is as under:-

Inspector	17
Sub-Inspector	56
Assistant Sub-Inspector	65
Head Constable	106
Constable	404
Total	648

(d) and (e). There is no such proposal under the consideration of the Delhi Administration.

Co-operative Societies in Lakshadweep

1530. SHRI P.M. SAYEED: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken to strengthen the co-operative supply and marketing societies in Lakshadweep;

(b) whether there is any proposal to implement the pension scheme for the employees working under these societies;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN): (a) Co-operative supply and marketing societies in the Lakshadweep Islands which are